

Assignment TV

By TERRENCE O'FLAHERTY

No funerals are planned for the eighteen television shows that are now at death's door because nothing ever really dies in Hollywood. And with the new film preservatives they don't fade away either.

Several of the canceled series will be reshown as daytime shows for weary ladies who missed them at night because the old man wanted to watch the ball game. (You can see Lucille Ball, in one form or another on CBS any day of the week.)

If a show has run for three years or more, it's a cinch for reshooting on an independent station in every major area. Those that have lasted two seasons sometimes survive as re-runs if they have a special appeal or a popular star. But a one-season series seldom reappears because wobbly ratings are sins that are inevitable visited into the second generation of program managers.

No tears need be shed for "The Andy Griffith Show," which has been on the air for eight seasons and whose star has already become a male Lucille Ball for CBS with reruns at all hours. It will continue under a new name, "Mayberry R.F.D.," allowing Griffith to move on to other interest in his multi-million dollar TV empire.

In its three seasons "I Spy" changed Bil Cosby from a moderately successful nightclub comedian into a major performing name. Robert Culp was a star already but his friendship and guidance made Cosby's rise easier than it might have been and made Culp look good as well. It was one of

the few action series that had any style or humor and will undoubtedly be rerun.

"Lost in Space" was a modern Swiss Family Robinson with three-season appeal for moppets who set the production department on its ear by selecting the villain for their hero.

The three-year success of "Run for Your Life" gave its star Ben Gazzara the off-stage assurance that he needed to change him from a belligerent Broadway displaced person into a pleasantly pro-Hollywood personality, but major credit for the show's success was due to the inventiveness of its writer-creator Roy Huggins, who will turn his attention this season to "The Outsider," which he has put together for NBC's Darren McGavin.

Although "Tarzan" lasted only two seasons it will probably swing into reshows due to the undying audience appeal of the baby who was raised by the apes in what was surely the most successful foster-parent case on record.

"Rat Patrol" is another two-season entry that was rescued from oblivion last year by the great popularity of its cast: Larry Casey, Christopher George, Garry Raymond and Hans Gudegast—all of whom will undoubtedly return in future series.

"The Invaders" had a reasonably long life (18 months) for a show based on an intriguing but perhaps limited science fiction situation. It served to rescue Roy Thinnes from "The Long Hot Summer"—as well as from the invaders from outer space.



INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT . . . An agreement for the marketing and construction of the TEMCOR geodesic dome in parts of Europe and South America is signed here by P. A. M. Cornelissen (front), board member of Internationale Bouw Compagnie (International Building Co.) of Best, Netherlands, and Walter G. Mitchell (standing, center), president of TEMCOR. Looking on are Robert D. McCauley (left), TEMCOR sales manager, and Donald L. Richter, vice president and engineer. All components for the all-aluminum dome, which can span nearly 200 feet without interior support, will be manufactured at TEMCOR's Torrance plant and shipped to the construction site for assembly.

Torrance Firm Appoints European Representatives

TEMCOR, exclusive manufacturer of the all-aluminum geodesic dome, has expanded its sales program internationally with the appointment of a major Dutch construction firm, Internationale Bouw Compagnie (I.B.C.) of Best, Holland, according to Walter G. Mitchell, TEMCOR President.

The appointment follows a growing interest in the TEMCOR domes, which are being used for auditoriums, gymnasiums, recreational facilities, and office buildings in many parts of the world.

I.B.C. will represent TEMCOR, and hold a franchise for the marketing and construction of the domes throughout parts of Europe and South America. One of the largest building construction firms in western Europe, it will represent TEMCOR in the Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany in Europe, and Surinam (Dutch Guiana) and Netherlands Antilles in South America.

Final agreements were signed in TEMCOR's office here by P.A.M. Cornelissen, a member of the board of directors of the Dutch International Bouw Compagnie (International Building Company).

All of the aluminum components of the geodesic dome will be manufactured at TEMCOR's plant in Torrance, and shipped to the construction site, where trained specialists from I.B.C. will supervise the dome assembly.

Board Delays Vote on Teacher's Resignation

Richard L. Odgers, a mathematics instructor at Torrance High School, left his post at the start of the school year to become executive secretary for the Palos Verdes Faculty Association and Redondo Beach Elementary Teachers Association.

He submitted his resignation to the Torrance board of education Sept. 9, but the board bypassed action to release Odgers from his contract Monday night.

Odgers may be required to appear before the board to explain his resignation.

School officials noted Odgers attended—at district expense—a conference on advanced mathematics in Oklahoma during the 1967-68 school year and it was contemplated that he would be able to implement the program this year.

Kornegay To Attend Parley

The Rev. Wallis Kornegay of the Torrance Church of the Nazarene will be among Nazarene pastors from all over the Southern California district to attend the church's annual preachers' conference Monday through Wednesday.

Nearly all of the 91 churches in the district will be represented at the conference, to be held at the Warner Hot Springs Ranch, Warner Springs.

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United Crusade Marks Contribution Progress

United Crusade has reached 10 per cent of its current goal of \$28,200,000 with contributions totaling \$2,814,239, it was reported by D. J. Houghton, 1968 United Crusade chairman.

Houghton, chairman of the board of Lockheed Aircraft Corp., made the announcement to representatives of more than 300 leading Los Angeles firms attending the kickoff of the Commerce and Industry segment of the 1968 United Crusade last week.

Ten firms in the Los Angeles area were cited for substantial increases in contributions to United Crusade. They included T. I. Corp., which has pledged 1 per cent of net income before taxes; Great Western Savings and Loan, an increase of 200 per cent over 1967; Dempsey Tegeler and Co., 100 per cent, and Gar-

field Bank, 50 per cent. Other firms included Shell Oil Co., which noted an increase of 21 per cent to United Crusade; Hughes Aircraft Corp., 43 per cent; Burroughs Corp., 56 per cent; Hydraulic Research and Manufacturing, 2000 per cent; Lockheed Aircraft Corp., 50 per cent, and Prudential Insurance Co.

Leaders in Los Angeles industry participated in a special program reviewing the services of United Crusade in the community. On the program were Norman Barker Jr., president of United California Bank; Sigmund Arywitez, executive secretary-treasurer of Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO; Daniel H. Ridder, co-publisher of the Long Beach Independent Press Telegram, and Bruce McCandless, president of the Southern Counties Gas Co.

Dancing Classes Offered

The City of Torrance Recreation Department is offering classes of modern dancing to people of all ages at Joslyn Center.

Limited openings are still available for two adult and a youth modern dance class

all beginning this week.

An adult class for beginners will run from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Mondays. Advanced students will receive instruction on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Youngsters 6 to 12 will have a special class every Saturday afternoon from 1 to 3 p.m. All of these programs will run for 10 weeks through Nov. 23.

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Classes To Begin At Gallery

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Davis Miller, will conduct oil painting classes, while Michael Cohen will teach drawing. Advanced painting techniques and theory will be taught by Bob Benton and portraiture will be instructed by Kathy Stockton.

Beginners are invited to attend an oil painting class led by Elizabeth Cox.

For children, Gertrude Richardson will teach pastel painting and Patricia Woolley will conduct a class in creative arts and crafts.

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Luncheon Fetes Judge Armstrong

Judge Donald Armstrong, recently retired from the South Bay Municipal Court, will be honored at a testimonial luncheon Monday, Sept. 30, at the Latitude 20 Restaurant, 3901 W. Pacific Coast Hwy.

The luncheon will be sponsored by a committee of Armstrong's friends from all South Bay cities, headed by John P. Foley, a Torrance attorney.

Officially retired Aug. 16, Armstrong, 70, is now in private practice with the law firm of McCabe, George, and Fritz.

He was appointed to the South Bay Municipal Court by Governor Goodwin Knight in 1957. A native of Whittier, he is a graduate of Santa Monica High School in 1916 and from the University of California at Berkeley in 1921. He served with the United States Navy during World War I.

He is the former city attorney of Palos Verdes Estates, and a 35-year resident of that city. Armstrong and his wife, Grace, are the par-



DONALD ARMSTRONG
Retired Judge

ents of James E. Armstrong, and have eight grandchildren. They reside at 812 Via Consejo, Palos Verdes Estates.

Reservations for the luncheon can be made at the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce.

Registration Continues For Theatre Classes

Openings are still available for Children's Theatre classes beginning this week for youngsters between the ages of 8 and 17.

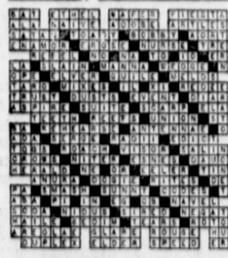
Drama I will be presented on Tuesdays and Drama II on Thursdays. Both run

from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on these days until program conclusion on Nov. 21.

Drama I, for the young actor, places an emphasis on characterizations, imagination, movement, and projection. Drama II is especially designed for children who have taken Drama I and who desire to progress to more advanced areas of drama.

This is another City of Torrance Recreation Department sponsored program running for ten weeks.

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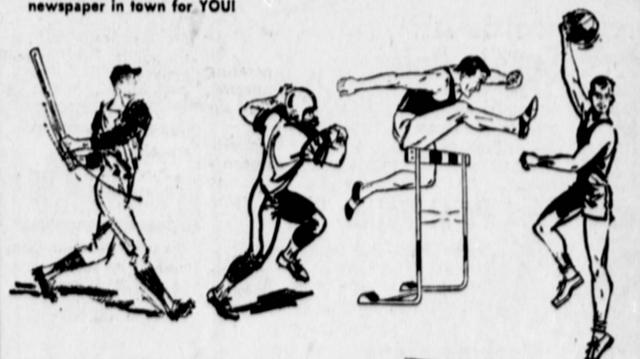
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